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ATHENS FOR RTDO FROM RUAN

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SUBJ: APR 78 BLDG AND CONSTRUCTION MISSION

REF: (A) USDOC 4325 (TUNIS ONLY), (B) TUNIS 228

1. PRELIMINARY ARRANGEMENTS FOR SUBJECT MISSION 12-15 APRIL VISIT HERE COMPLETED DURING RUAN'S 8-11 MARCH TUNIS STOPOVER. EXCELLENCE OF POST PREPARATION BY FSO GALLAGHER ASSURES PRODUCTIVE MISSION VISIT.

2. MISSION VISIT DETAILS AS FOLLOWS:

A. CONTROL OFFICER: MICHAEL F. GALLAGHER, ECONOMIC/COMMERCIAL OFFICER; OFFICE PHONE: 282.566, EXT 242, HOME PHONE: 270.217
B. HOTEL: AFRICA MERIDIEN, 50 AVENUE HABIB BOUR-GUIBA, TUNIS; PHONE 247.477 TELEX 12536, CABLE AFRICA TUNIS. AMERICAN EXPRESS, DINERS CLUB, VISIA AND MASTER CHARGE CREDIT CARDS HONORED. ASSISTNAT MARKETING MANAGER KHAYATI CONFIRMS 13 SINGLES AND UNCLASSIFIED

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ONE SUITE FOR NIGHTS 12-14 APRIL. SINGLE ROOM COST \$37.50 PER DAY, MISSION DIRECTOR'S SUITE \$100 PER DAY, BOTH RATES NET OF 20 PERCENT EMBASSY DISCOUNT.
C. TRANSPORTATION: POST VEHICLES WILL MOVE MISSION TO AND FROM AIRPORT AND MISSION RECEPTION. METERED TAXIS AVAILABLE FOR INDIVIDUAL MISSION MEMBER USAGE, BUT POST WILL ENDEAVOR SCHEDULE ALL APPOINTMENTS AT

BIC TO OBVIATE NEED FOR TRANSPORTATION.
D. BUSINESS INFORMATION CENTER: LARGE MEETING ROOM
WITH PHONES IN HOTEL AFRICA RESERVED FOR BUSINESS
APPOINTMENTS. MISSION DIRECTORS SUITE ALSO AVAI-
LABLE. POST ADVISES LOCAL BUSINESSMEN WILLING TO

COME TO HOTEL FOR APPOINTMENTS. COFFEE TO BE AVAI-
LABLE. POST WILL PROVIDE SECRETARIAL ASSISTANCE.

E. PRINTING: 200 FRENCH LANGUAGE MISSION BROCHURES
TO BE SHIPPED VIA DIRECT AIR POUCH WHEN READY BY
AMCONGEN CASABLANCA FOR DISTRIBUTION HERE. POST
WILL PRINT 150 INVITATIONS HERE.

F. PORCUDET LITERATURE: TO DATE, LITERATURE RECEIVED
FROM ALL MISSION FIRMS EXCEPT AMERICAN STANDARD,
FOREST DISTRIBUTORS, NORTON AND ZIP-UP. PLEASE AD-
VISE THESE FIRMS TO SEND DOZEN SETS OF LITERATURE
IMMEDIATELY TO GALLAGHER VIA INTERNATIONAL MAIL AND
ADDITIONAL DOZEN SETS VIA AIR POUCH THROUGH COMMERCE PROGRAM
OFFICER BUCALO.

G. RECEPTION: CONTROL OFFICER GALLAGHER WILL HOST
MISSION RECEPTION AT HIS HOME 13 APRIL 7-9 P.M.
AMABASSADOR AND DCM WILL ATTEND.

H. TRANSLATORS-INTERPRETERS: POST WILL HIRE FOUR
FOR DUTY 13-14 APRIL. ADDITIONAL PERSONNEL AS NEED-
ED WILL BE BORROWED FROM POST STAFF.

I. PUBLICITY: POST PAO WILL PRODUCE A PRESS RELEASE
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FOR LOCAL MEDIA IN ADVANCE OF MISSION VISIT.
COVERAGE OF MISSION SESSION ON 13 APRIL PLANNED FOR
PRESS PLAY FOLLOWING DAY.

J. BUDGET ESTIMATE:

DIRECTOR'S SUITE	\$300
BIC L	400
INTERPRETERS-TRANSLATORS	700
INVITATIONS AND POSTAGE	200
OVERTIME AND PHOTOGRAPHY	100
HOSPITALITY	700
TOTAL	\$2600

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3. MISSION SCHEDULE AS FOLLOWS:

A. ARRIVAL : GALLAGHER AND POST VEHICLES WILL MEET AMEX-ARRANGED MISSION FLIGHT AF 2793 AT 1530 ON 12 APRIL INBOUND FROM MARSEILLES AT TUNIS-CARTHAGE AIRPORT. POST BRIEFING BY E/C COUNSELOR HARRY MONTGOMERY AND GALLAGHER IN MISSION DIRECTOR'S SUITE FOLLOWING HOTEL CHECK-IN.

B. 13 APRIL: IN THE BIC, THE DIRECTOR OF INDUSTRY, MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY, MINES AND ENERGY, WILL DISCUSS THE CONSTRUCTION PERSPECTIVES OF THE CURRENT (1977-80) FIVE YEAR PLAN. THESE PERSPECTIVES WILL ACCOUNT FOR SOME 60 PERCENT, \$1.4 BILLION, OF PLANNED INVESTMENT IN THE INDUSTRY SECTOR. OTHER MINISTRY REPRESENTATIVES AND THE PRIVATE SECTOR WILL ATTEND. FOLLOWING THIS DISCUSSION, MISSION MEMBERS WILL PRESENT BRIEF DESCRIPTIONS OF THEIR FIRMS, PRODUCTS AND SERVICES AND MISSION OBJECTIVES. THAT AFTERNOON MISSION MEMBERS WILL PAIR OFF WITH MINISTRY OFFICIALS AND REPRESENTATIVES OF PRIVATE SECTOR FOR BUSINESS DISCUSSIONS, ALSO IN THE BIC.

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THAT NIGHT, GALLAGHER WILL HOST RECEPTION TO WHICH MINISTRY OFFICIALS AND OTHER GOVERNMENT AND PRIVATE ENTERPRISE REPRESENTATIVES WILL BE INVITED.

C. 14 APRIL: THE TUNISIAN ORGANIZATION OF INDUSTRY, COMMERCE AND CRAFTSMEN (UTICA) WILL ARRANGE APPOINTMENTS WITH PRIVATE AND PUBLIC SECTOR TUNISIANS. (EMBASSY WILL BE IN CONTACT WITH MINISTRY AND UTICA PRIOR TO MISSION VISIT TO ASSURE FULL APPOINTMENT SCHEDULE FOR MISSION MEMBERS.)

D. 15 APRIL: MISSION MEMBERS WILL HAVE SATURDAY

MORNING FOR APPOINTMENTS. GALLAGHER AND POST VEHICLES
WILL TRANSPORT MISSION FROM HOTEL FOR 1330
DEPARTURE TO JIDDA ON TU 713. ETA JIDDA 2120.

4. RUAN DEPARTS TUNIS 11 MARCH ON TU 713 AT 1330,
ETA JIDDA 2120.
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